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SUBJECT: CONSULTATIONS WITH SOVIET OFFICIALS REGARDING
ACTIVITIES OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL OCEANOGRAPHIC COMMISSION
(IOC)

1. MR. LOUIS B. BROWN OF NSF WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH
PROF. V. G. KORT (INSTITUTE OF OCEANOLOGY), DR. V. M.
GRUZINOV (STATE OCEANOGRAPHIC INSTITUTE), AND DR. VITALI
SLADKOV (OCEANOGRAPHIC COMMITTEE OF USSR) IN MOSCOW ON
MARCH 7 TO DISCUSS SOME ISSUES PRESENTLY UNDER DISCUSSION
BY AND/OR LIKELY TO ARISE AT UPCOMING MEETINGS OF IOC.
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MEETINGS. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT ABOVE OFFICIALS
TO DETERMINE IF THEY WOULD CONSIDER SUCH MEETING USEFUL AND,
IF SO, WHETHER THEY WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR MEETING WITH
BROWN AND EMBASSY SCIENCE OFFICER ON ABOVE DATE. FYI:
INVOLVEMENT OF SLADKOV, WHO IS BROADLY FAMILIAR WITH IOC
ACTIVITIES, SHOULD ALSO ELIMINATE NEED FOR SOVIET INTER-
PRETOR. END FYI.

2. PRIMARY OBJECTIVE OF MEETING WOULD BE INFORMAL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON HOW TO DEAL MORE EFFECTIVELY WITH SCIENCE PROGRAMS IN IOC, PRIMARILY TOPICS LISTED BELOW. OTHER TOPICS COULD BE INCLUDED PROVIDED SOVIETS GIVE SUFFICIENT ADVANCE NOTICE (BY FEB. 18) SO ANY REQUIRED BRIEFING MATERIALS CAN BE PREPARED FOR EMBASSY SCIENCE OFFICER AND BROWN. (EMBASSY SHOULD ALSO INDICATE TO SOVIETS THAT U.S. HOPES TO HAVE MORE COMPLETE CONSULTATION WITH SOVIETS IN NEW DELHI JUST PRIOR TO NEXT MEETING OF IOC EXECUTIVE COUNCIL (E.C.) IN EARLY APRIL. BROWN VISIT SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AS PREPARATORY FOR THIS LATER CONSULTATION.) LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE WILL NOT BE DISCUSSED.

3. TOPICS FOR CONSULTATION: (A) PROGRESS OF IOC'S SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY BOARD (PRIMARILY WITH KORT, SOVIET MEMBER OF BOARD). BROWN WOULD LIKE TO OBTAIN SOVIET VIEWS ON PROPOSALS RECENTLY SENT TO KORT BY JENNINGS (U.S. MEMBER OF BOARD) FOR IMPROVEMENTS OF IOC COOPERATIVE INVESTIGATIONS OF MEDITERRANEAN (CIM). BROWN WOULD ALSO LIKE TO DISCUSS WITH KORT U.S. AND SOVIET VIEWS ON (I) IOC'S COOPERATIVE INVESTIGATIONS OF NORTHWEST INDIAN OCEAN (CINCWIO), AND (II) IOC MARINE GEOSCIENCES WORKSHOP; (B) INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON LARGE-SCALE LONG-PERIOD OCEANIC VARIABILITY IN THE NORTH PACIFIC (PRIMARILY WITH KORT). U.S. PLANS TO REQUEST IOC TO CONVENE SUCH A WORKSHOP IN OCTOBER OF THIS YEAR TO EVALUATE PROGRESS TO DATE ON STUDIES OF THIS PROBLEM AND TO RECOMMEND SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM FOR FUTURE STUDIES OF THIS PROBLEM. UNCLASSIFIED

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BOTH SOVIET AND JAPANESE PARTICIPATION ARE ESSENTIAL TO SUCCESS OF BOTH WORKSHOP AND ANY FUTURE RESEARCH PROGRAM. BROWN PLANS DISCUSSION WITH JAPANESE PRIOR TO MOSCOW AND WOULD LIKE TO OBTAIN SOME IDEA FROM SOVIETS OF LIKELY LEVEL OF SOVIET INTEREST IN WORKSHOP; (C) IOC POLLUTION PROGRAM (GIPME) (PRIMARILY WITH GRUZINOV). U.S. PLANS TO SUPPORT IOC-EC ENDORSEMENT IN SUBSTANCE OF REPORT OF FIRST MEETING OF IOC WORKING COMMITTEE FOR GIPME. HOWEVER, U.S. CONSIDERS THAT E.C. SHOULD MODIFY SOME OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS INCLUDED IN THIS REPORT IN ORDER TO SPEED AND IMPROVE IMPLEMENTATION OF GIPME. BROWN WILL PRESENT TO SOVIETS SPECIFIC PROPOSALS FOR SUCH MODIFICATIONS; (D) IOC SECRETARIAT'S PROPOSALS TO TRANSFER RESPONSIBILITY FOR ALL MARINE POLLUTION MONITORING ACTIVITIES FROM IOC'S WORKING COMMITTEE (W.C.) FOR IGOSS TO ITS W.C. FOR GIPME; (E) WMO REPLACEMENT OF FORMER ADVISORY BODY (ACOMR) TO IOC. WMO RECENTLY ABOLISHED ACOMR (GROUP OF SCIENTISTS ACTING IN THEIR INDIVIDUAL CAPACITIES) AND REPLACED IT WITH QUASI-GOVERNMENTAL BODY WHICH WMO WISHES TO DESIG-

NATE AS ADVISORY BODY TO IOC. U.S. CONSIDERS SUCH DESIGNATION IS INAPPROPRIATE SINCE IOC SELECTS ITS OWN ADVISORY BODIES. FURTHERMORE, NEW WMO BODY IS NOT APPROPRIATE TO FULFILL "ADVISORY" FUNCTION SINCE ITS MEMBERS ARE SELECTED BY GOVERNMENTS AND MAY NOT BE ABLE

TO PROVIDE INDEPENDENT ADVICE TO IOC. U.S. SEEKS PRELIMINARY EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON THIS MATTER.

4. DEPT. SUGGESTS EMBASSY USE LOW-KEY APPROACH TO SOVIETS WITH REGARD TO THIS VISIT, EMPHASIZING THAT SUFFICIENT ADVANCE NOTICE MUST BE GIVEN IF BROWN TO DISCUSS OTHER TOPICS RELATED TO IOC SCIENCE PROGRAM OF INTEREST TO SOVIETS. SOVIET RESPONSE SHOULD BE HELPFUL TO DEPT. IN DETERMINING WHETHER SOVIET COOLNESS TO U.S. OVERTURES AT LAST IOC-EC MEETING WAS A FLUKE OR WAS INDICATIVE OF LONG-TERM SOVIET UNWILLINGNESS TO JOINTLY UNCLASSIFIED

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TACKLE PROBLEMS OF MUTUAL INTEREST IN IOC. DEPT. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S ASSESSMENT OF SOVIET RESPONSE TO VISIT REQUEST WITH THIS QUESTION IN MIND.

5. IF SOVIET RESPONSE TO THIS VISIT REQUEST IS POSITIVE:
(A) BROWN WOULD PLAN TO ARRIVE IN MOSCOW ON MARCH FIFTH OR SIXTH FROM NEW DELHI AND DEPART MOSCOW FOR PARIS ON EIGHTH, ALLOWING FULL DAY FOR DISCUSSIONS ON SEVENTH. ADDITIONAL DAY COULD BE ALLOCATED IF DESIRABLE; AND (B) EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO ASK SOVIETS TO INITIATE APPROVAL FOR VISA ISSUANCE TO BROWN BY SOVIET EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON PRIOR TO FEBRUARY 26, WHEN BROWN BEGINS TRAVEL.
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